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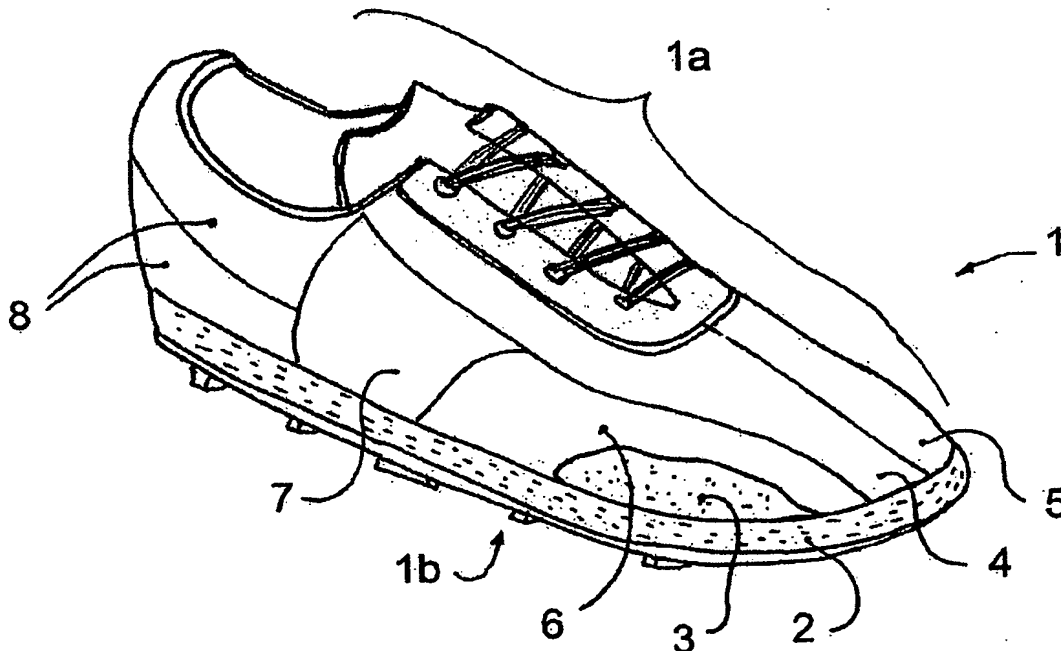
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(57) Abstract: A shoe (1) in which at least a portion of upper (1a) includes gripping areas (4, 5) resulting from the presence of a coating, said coating providing a dry coefficient of friction exceeding that of a standard athletic leather according to a modified IUP51 test (as defined).



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